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MEDIA RELEASE

Fatal Wadsworth Traffic Crash

On April 18, 2023, at approximately 1:55 p.m., Lake County Sheriff Deputies responded to a traffic crash with injuries at Route 173 and Mill Creek Road, Wadsworth. Sheriff's deputies arrived and located two vehicles with significant damage.

Preliminary information shows the driver of a 2018 Hyundai Elantra, a 45-year-old woman of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was traveling northbound on Mill Creek Road. The driver of the Hyundai failed to stop at the stop sign, as she approached Route 173. As the Hyundai entered the intersection, it was struck by an eastbound Volkswagen GTI, driven by a 39-year-old man of Lake Villa.

There were three passengers in the Hyundai. The front seat passenger, a 23-year-old woman of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was transported to Froedtert Pleasant Prairie Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. A back seat passenger, seated behind the driver, a 76-year-old man of Mexico, was transported to Froedtert Pleasant Prairie with major injuries, and pronounced deceased shortly after arriving. The third passenger, an 18-year-old man of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, seated behind the front passenger, was transported to Froedtert Pleasant Prairie with non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the Hyundai was transported to Froedtert Pleasant Prairie Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The driver of the Volkswagen was uninjured.

The crash remains under investigation by the Lake County Sheriff's Office Technical Crash Investigations Unit.

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